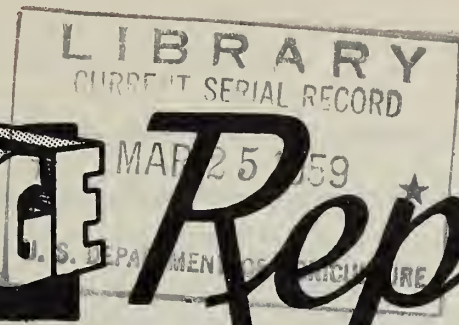


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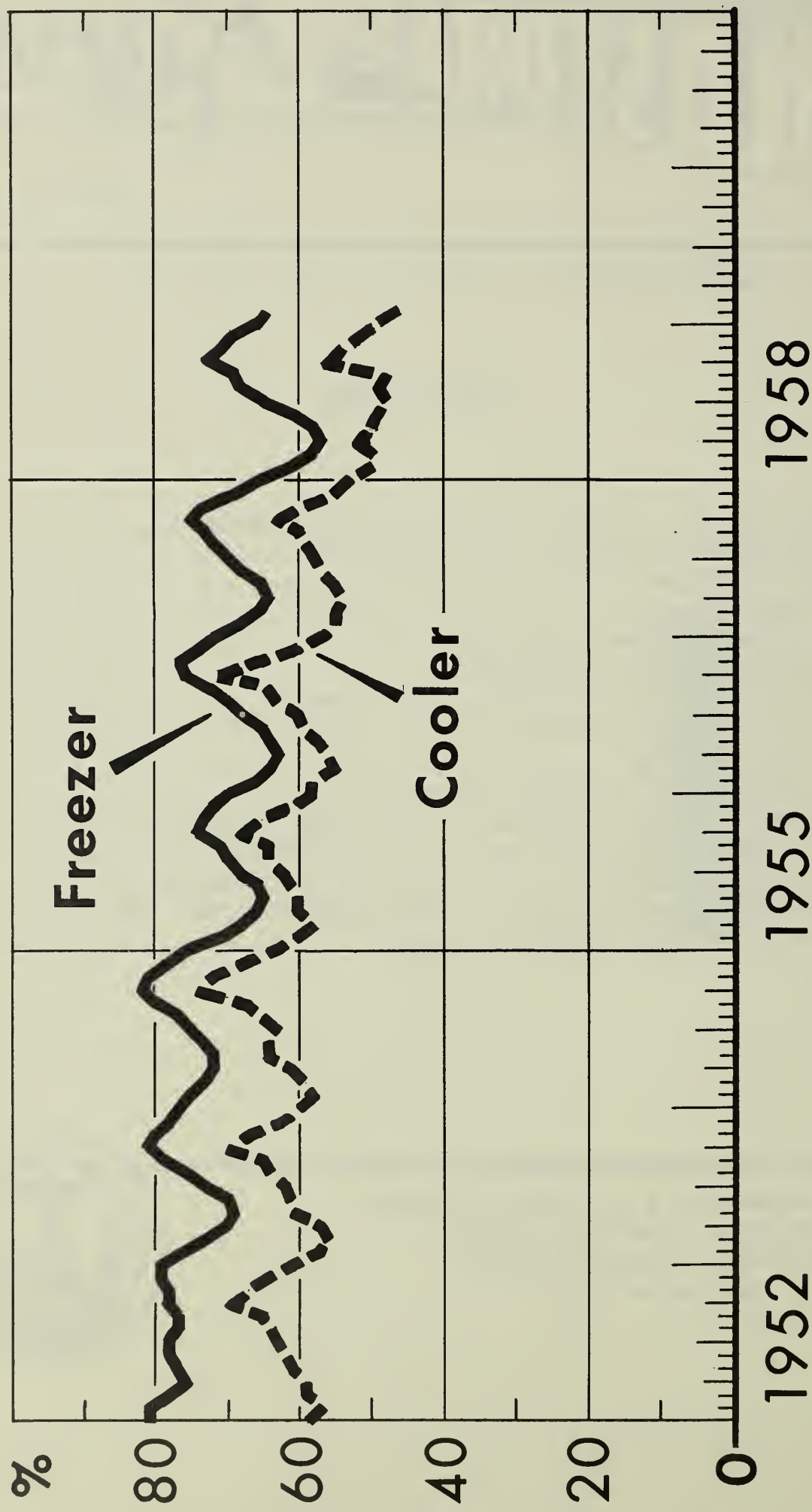
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PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY

COLD STORAGE REPORT, MARCH 1, 1959

Commodity summary

March 1 refrigerated stocks of most food categories were less than a year earlier, according to warehouse reports received by the Crop Reporting Board. The exceptions were fresh apples, onions, nuts, poultry, frozen fruits, and red meats. February reductions brought fresh apple holdings down to 21 million bushels. These supplies were 3 million larger than those on March 1, 1958 and 7 million larger than the March 1, 1954-58 average. The 948,000 boxes of pears in storage were 7 percent under a year earlier but 5 percent above average for this time of year. Net withdrawals of poultry during February were about average for the month. The 37 million pound reduction left 295 million in storage on March 1 which compares with 256 million on March 1, 1958 and average stocks of 238 million pounds. Significantly, the February reduction was 20 percent short of the February 1958 net withdrawals. Frozen turkey holdings were worked down to 141 million pounds. While these inventories were still 16 percent above average for March 1, they were 9 percent under the record high March 1 stocks of 1958. A near record build-up of orange concentrate stocks, about 10 million gallons, raised March 1 holdings to almost 29 million gallons. These supplies were 1 million gallons under those of March 1, 1958. The seasonal gain to date of 19 million gallons compares with 13 million a year ago. Frozen fruit holdings were brought down by 46 million pounds during February leaving 412 million in storage. This year's stocks were 2 percent larger than March 1, 1958 and 19 percent larger than average. Frozen vegetable holdings, at 688 million pounds, were slightly less than a year earlier but 15 percent larger than the March 1 average. Only 53,000 cases of shell eggs were in storage on March 1, the lowest for the month since 1936. Frozen egg stocks were down slightly from a month earlier. They totaled 45 million pounds on March 1 which compares with 60 million on March 1, 1958 and average stocks of 54 million. American cheese stocks fell off seasonally during February to 227 million pounds, 29 percent less than a year earlier and 43 percent under average. A significant February build-up in red meat stocks of 91 million pounds, primarily pork, raised warehouse holdings to 590 million pounds. These supplies were 42 percent above those of March 1, 1958 but 11 percent under average.

Commodity movement

The movement of cooler-held products from storage during February exceeded product weights moving into storage with the result that total product weight was reduced to 2.2 billion pounds. All food items except nuts, pork, and miscellaneous items were reduced in supply during the month. Product weight in freezer space was up slightly from a month earlier. Gains in stocks of juices and red meats were slightly greater than reductions in stocks of dairy, poultry, fruits, and vegetables. March 1 freezer stocks were 2.7 billion pounds.

Storage occupancy

Utilization of both cooler and freezer space in public refrigerated warehouses continued to decline during February. A decline of 3 percentage points brought the occupancy level in coolers to 46 percent, the lowest for March 1 since 1941. In all regions except New England, East South Central, West South Central, and Pacific, cooler occupancy was down from 1 to 14 points. Freezer occupancy declined 2 percentage points and on March 1 stood at 64 percent. Although above the 61 percent recorded a year earlier, the March 1 freezer occupancy was below the 1954-58 average of 68 percent. Occupancy declined from 1 to 8 points in all regions, except for 5-point gains in the West North Central and South Atlantic regions.

Dairy products

Refrigerated stocks of cream totaled 5 million pounds on March 1. The net reduction of 1 million pounds during February equaled the reductions of a year earlier and average. Butter stocks declined slightly during February and totaled 64 million pounds on March 1. These stocks were 27 percent below a year earlier and 62 percent below average. Stocks of cheese in storage on March 1 totaled 259 million pounds. This compares with 353 million a year earlier and 429 million, the average.

The February reduction in cheese holdings of 10 million pounds was only half as large as the average and 63 percent less than a year earlier.

Poultry products

Poultry meat stocks declined during February by an amount less than a year earlier but more than average. The reduction of 37 million pounds left 295 million pounds in storage on March 1. Total poultry stocks were 15 percent above a year earlier and 24 percent above average. March 1 stocks of broilers and fryers totaled 31 million pounds and compare with 16 million in storage a year earlier. The average is 20 million. Hen (fowl) stocks totaled 71 million pounds on March 1, down 9 million pounds from a month earlier. Turkey stocks were reduced by 19 million pounds to total 141 million on March 1. A year earlier 154 million were in storage which is the record high for the date. Average turkey holdings are 121 million pounds. Turkey processors were surveyed on March 1 and were asked to report stocks in their own and public warehouses according to certain weight classes. Based on a limited response that accounted for about 28 million pounds of the 141 million pounds reported in storage on March 1, the following distribution of stocks, by weight classes, was indicated: turkeys 8 pounds and under, 15 percent; over 8 but less than 16 pounds, 31 percent; over 16 but less than 22 pounds, 15 percent; and over 22 pounds, 39 percent.

Juices, fruits, and vegetables

A February net input of about 10 million gallons of orange concentrate raised warehouse stocks to almost 29 million gallons. A gain of this size was reported only once before--in May 1956. Since December 1, 1958 a net gain of 19 million gallons has been reported whereas the increase during the corresponding 1957-58 season totaled 13 million gallons. March 1 stocks were only slightly less than average and those of a year earlier. Frozen fruits totaled 412 million pounds. March 1 holdings of most individual fruit items were lowered during February. Only stocks of frozen apples were up from a month earlier. Strawberry holdings, down 24 million, totaled 128 million on March 1. These supplies were 3 percent less than those of March 1, 1958 but 17 percent above average. Frozen vegetable stocks declined seasonally by 73 million pounds to 688 million pounds on March 1. This February reduction was 10 million short of the February 1958 net withdrawals. Except for stocks of french fries which were increased by 11 million pounds to total 90 million on March 1, stocks of all frozen vegetable items were reduced during the month. Stocks of lima and snap beans each were reduced by 12 million pounds while a 25 million pound reduction occurred in stocks of green peas. The latter totaled 137 million pounds on March 1, about 23 percent less than a year earlier but 11 percent above average.

Meat and meat products

Warehouse holdings of red meats were increased during February by 91 million pounds to 590 million on March 1. This compares with a net reduction of 4 million pounds a year earlier and the average net gain of 11 million. Meat stocks were 42 percent above a year earlier but 11 percent below average. Beef stocks increased 1 million pounds during February to 174 million on March 1. This gain was contraseasonal. It compares with a decline of 19 million pounds during February 1958 and the average February decline of 21 million pounds. Last year, 116 million pounds of beef were in storage while average stocks are 175 million. Pork stocks totaled 322 million pounds on March 1, an increase of 82 million over the previous month. This net increase was 9 times greater than a year earlier and 3 times greater than average. Stocks were 41 percent above a year earlier but 20 percent below the 1954-58 average. All frozen pork items except picnics increased during February.

Table 1. --Net changes in storage holdings during February (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings February 28, 1959	February net change		Freezer commodities	Holdings February 28, 1959	February net change	
		Quantity	Pct.			Quantity	Pct.
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	Pct.		1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	Pct.
Apples	1,003,056	- 338,784	25	Cream.	4,987	- 982	16
Pears.	43,200	- 23,000	35	Butter, creamery	63,643	- 65	-
Other fresh fruits	9,731	- 16,517	63	Eggs	44,954	- 2,131	5
Fresh vegetables .	78,839	- 7,298	8	Poultry.	294,708	- 37,127	11
Dried & Evap. Fts.	29,681	- 63	-	Fruits	411,871	- 46,327	10
Nutmeats	187,836	25,844	16	Juices	397,993	100,252	34
Nuts in shell. . .	65,696	2,031	3	Vegetables . . .	687,936	- 73,312	10
Other dairy prod.	7,890	- 10,677	58	Beef	161,732	2,163	1
Cheese	259,067	- 10,402	4	Pork	262,229	77,523	42
Shell eggs	2,480	- 188	7	Other meats. . .	24,243	- 1,579	6
Beef	12,637	- 1,557	11	Miscellaneous. .	348,419	- 7,671	2
Pork	60,112	4,329	8	Total.	2,702,715	10,744	.4
Canned meats . . .	68,931	10,350	18				
Miscellaneous. . .	327,883	- 9,458	3				
Total.	2,157,039	- 374,390	15				

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the tables that follow.

Table 2. End-of-month Apple holdings, by States

State	February 1954-58 average (1)	February 1958	January 1959	February 1959
	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
New England	786	1,120	1,624	1,496
New York.	2,338	2,659	5,076	3,738
New Jersey	288	280	513	390
Pennsylvania	338	422	716	465
Ohio.	125	155	223	148
Illinois	178	199	170	116
Michigan	549	775	2,338	1,510
Missouri	59	56	76	38
Kansas	37	115	70	43
Virginia	783	713	1,711	1,185
West Virginia	174	138	537	371
Washington	6,667	10,007	13,130	10,306
Oregon	221	426	185	61
California	936	921	1,115	723
Other States	280	243	471	307
U. S. Total	(2) 13,759	18,229	27,955	20,897

(1) Prior to 1956, processing stocks were excluded.

(2) Not comparable.

Table 3. — End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during February and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Decreased by 7 million bushels; February 1958 decrease was 7 million bushels; average February decrease is 6 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by 460 thousand bushels; February 1958 decrease was 498 thousand bushels; average February decrease is 488 thousand bushels.

Commodity	Unit	February 1954-58 av.	February 1958	January 1959	February 1959
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Apples, fresh:					
Western	Standard boxes	7,088	8,625	(1)	(1)
Western	Other containers	978	2,894	(1)	(1)
Eastern	Bushel baskets	1,446	1,255	(1)	(1)
Eastern	Other containers	4,247	5,455	(1)	(1)
Total	Bushel	(2) 13,759	18,229	27,955	20,897
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts	Boxes, baskets, etc.	3	4	5	8
Bartletts	L. A. lugs	(3)	20	-	-
Other varieties	Boxes, baskets, etc.	757	791	1,124	717
Other varieties	L. A. lugs	(3)	204	314	223
Total	Boxes, baskets, etc.	(4) 822	1,019	1,443	948
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes	Pound	19,877	13,371	23,497	7,343
Other fresh fruits	do.	3,572	3,331	2,751	2,388
Dried & evaporated fruits	do.	33,686	31,114	29,744	29,681
Onions	do.	41,295	37,622	49,131	39,147
Celery	do.	216	347	358	279
Other fresh vegetables	do.	54,499	41,683	36,648	39,413
Nut meats, peanuts	do.	87,034	120,676	133,406	156,087
Nut meats, other nuts	do.	29,057	33,827	28,586	31,749
Pecnuts, in shell	do.	3,659	6,087	2,666	2,952
Other nuts, in shell	do.	60,669	55,058	60,999	62,744

- (1) Not reported separately after December 31, 1958.
- (2) Not comparable.
- (3) Not reported separately prior to January 31, 1956.
- (4) In terms of bushels

Table 4. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during February and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 46 million pounds; February 1958 decrease was 42 million pounds; average February decrease is 41 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 73 million pounds; February 1958 decrease was 83 million pounds; average February decrease is 70 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Increased by 10 million gallons; February 1958 increase was 3 million gallons; average February increase is 6 million gallons.

Commodity	February 1954-58 av. 1,000 pounds	February 1958 1,000 pounds	January 1959 1,000 pounds	February 1959 1,000 pounds
Fruits, frozen:				
Apples	43,600	51,128	58,780	59,564
Apricots	4,531	4,744	6,365	5,690
Blackberries	11,953	17,827	16,529	14,370
Blueberries	16,014	17,429	20,798	18,865
Boysenberries	(1)	(1)	15,444	14,502
Cherries	43,780	52,690	59,484	51,938
Grapes	11,796	10,017	11,563	10,662
Peaches	28,515	31,739	38,160	35,541
Red raspberries	()	()	20,301	17,703
Black raspberries	(2)(24,144	(2)(30,121	11,593	10,706
Strawberries	109,838	131,807	151,847	128,257
All other fruits	51,082	54,575	47,334	44,073
Total	345,253	402,077	458,198	411,871
Juices, frozen:				
Orange juice	288,068	295,582	186,625	285,045
Gallons equivalent	29,098	29,857	18,851	28,792
Other fruit juices and purees	110,170	118,412	111,116	112,948
Vegetables, frozen:				
Asparagus	12,871	16,838	15,243	12,273
Beans, lima	80,365	85,465	93,557	81,803
Beans, snap	57,600	57,838	81,361	69,155
Broccoli	39,103	38,615	44,816	41,933
Brussels sprouts	22,851	21,954	25,040	21,705
Carrots	(1)	(1)	24,672	23,914
Cauliflower	18,550	18,927	20,100	17,057
Corn	63,150	68,282	71,144	60,082
Mixed vegetables	(1)	25,009	24,519	23,928
Peas, green	123,239	177,733	161,417	136,685
Peas and carrots, mixed	(1)	13,347	16,185	15,248
Potatoes, french fried	(1)	63,265	79,348	90,167
Spinach	24,514	24,821	24,758	19,506
All other vegetables	154,572	85,761	79,088	74,480
Total	596,815	697,855	761,248	687,936

(1) Not available. (2) Red and black combined.
(3) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

Table 5. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during February and comparisons:

Cream: Decreased by 1 million pounds; February 1958 decrease was 1 million pounds; average February decrease is 1 million pounds.

Butter: Decreased by .1 million pounds; February 1958 change was an increase of 2 million pounds; average February change is a decrease of 9 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 10 million pounds; February 1958 decrease was 27 million pounds; average February decrease is 22 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Decreased by 4 thousand cases; February 1958 decrease was 66 thousand cases; average February change is an increase of 43 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Decreased by 2 million pounds; February 1958 decrease was 4 million pounds; average February decrease is 4 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Decreased by 37 million pounds; February 1958 decrease was 46 million pounds; average February decrease is 35 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	February 1954-58 av.	February 1958	January 1959	February 1959
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream	Pound	5,434	7,968	5,089	4,347
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat)	do.	645	1,293	880	640
Condensed milk (bulk)	do.	5,323	6,808	2,463	2,226
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods)	do.	3,595	4,455	16,104	5,664
Butter, creamery	do.	167,268	87,684	63,708	63,643
Cheese:					
American Cheddar	do.	396,944	318,444	235,998	226,922
Swiss, including block	do.	9,106	7,185	10,470	10,050
All other varieties	do.	22,944	27,840	23,001	22,095
Total cheese	do.	428,994	353,469	269,469	259,067
Eggs:					
Shell	Case	264	105	57	53
Frozen eggs, total	Pound	54,410	59,778	47,085	44,954
Whites	do.	18,160	22,986	19,169	17,770
Yolks	do.	13,540	11,317	11,685	11,403
Whole or mixed	do.	19,522	21,404	13,768	13,741
Unclassified	do.	3,188	4,071	2,463	2,040
Total eggs (1) (case equivalent)	Case	1,670	1,618	1,249	1,191
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers or fryers	Pound	20,470	16,294	32,142	30,868
Rocsters	do.	8,648	5,273	9,827	9,554
Hens, fowls	do.	50,726	50,979	79,679	70,643
Turkeys	do.	121,299	154,429	160,476 (2)	140,989
Ducks	do.	4,242	2,532	4,201	3,096
Unclassified	do.	32,471	26,441	45,510	39,558
Total poultry	do.	237,856	255,948	331,835	294,708

(1) Frozen eggs converted on the basis of 39.5 pounds to the case. (2) See section on poultry products, Page 2 for breakdown by weights.

Table 6. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States
February 28, 1959

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid 1,000 pounds	Plastic 1,000 pounds					
Massachusetts	10		703	1,409	2	620	6,178
Other States			1,607	381		778	4,725
New England			2,310	1,790	2	1,398	10,903
New York	2,522	192	5,378	28,762	5	3,754	27,055
New Jersey	346		2,252	611	2	1,079	10,945
Pennsylvania	388	41	1,453	520	4	1,566	20,936
Middle Atlantic			9,083	29,893	11	6,399	58,936
Ohio	107		2,425	685	1	1,219	4,589
Indiana			1,294	10	1	885	1,235
Illinois			12,142	4,965	4	5,623	34,069
Michigan			3,118	1,866		380	6,155
Wisconsin			4,190	130,294		298	2,349
East North Central			23,169	137,820	6	8,405	48,397
Minnesota		1	13,762	7,809		1,341	9,071
Iowa			2,337	159		6,400	7,068
Missouri	44	42	464	22,248	11	7,548	21,024
Dakotas			405	68		352	59
Nebraska	21		230	34		2,668	18,549
Kansas			1,677	871	1	1,163	4,403
West North Central			18,875	31,189	12	19,472	60,174
South Atlantic			2,524	10,088	5	2,588	29,141
Kentucky			579	838	1	449	1,969
Tennessee			366	753	1	477	3,980
Ala. and Mississippi			244	2,056		153	4,553
East South Central			1,189	3,647	2	1,079	10,502
Arkansas and Louisiana			716	488	2	368	8,655
Oklahoma			975	2		212	1,917
Texas	7		879	1,136	1	1,942	7,697
West South Central			2,570	1,626	3	2,522	18,269
Colorado			605	94		241	3,690
Other States			748	1,564		89	7,545
Mountain			1,353	1,658		330	11,235
Washington			1,121	250	1	469	3,665
Oregon			143	6,645	1	86	2,409
California	209		1,306	2,316	10	2,206	41,077
Pacific			2,570	9,211	12	2,761	47,151
Other States (Cream only)	693	364					
United States	4,347	640	63,643	226,922	53	44,954	294,708

Table 7. --End-of month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during February and comparisons:

Beef: Increased by 1 million pounds; February 1958 change was a decrease of 19 million pounds; average February decrease is 21 million pounds.

Pork: Increased by 82 million pounds; February 1958 increase was 9 million pounds; average February increase is 28 million pounds.

Other meats: Increased by 9 million pounds; February 1958 increase was 5 million pounds; average February increase is 4 million pounds.

COMMODITY	February 1954-58 av. 1,000 pounds	February 1958 1,000 pounds	January 1959 1,000 pounds	February 1959 1,000 pounds
Beef:				
Frozen	165,412	104,661	159,569	161,732
In cure and cured	9,857	11,473	14,194	12,637
Total	175,269	116,134	173,763	174,369
Pork, frozen:				
Picnics	(1)	6,195	8,896	7,783
Hams	(1)	45,678	40,996	60,187
Bellies	(1)	73,971	54,762	89,897
Other frozen pork cuts	(1)	51,634	80,052	104,362
Total	315,854	177,478	184,706	262,229
Pork in cure or cured:				
Dry salt bellies	(1)	8,340	12,329	12,117
Other dry salt pork	(1)	6,338	8,464	8,206
Other pork cuts	(1)	35,756	34,990	39,789
Total	89,050	50,434	55,783	60,112
Total pork	404,904	227,912	240,489	322,341
Other meats and meat products:				
Veal, frozen	13,952	9,806	15,704	13,585
Lamb and mutton, frozen	8,596	4,381	10,118	10,658
Canned meats in cooler	60,722	58,488	58,581	68,931
Total all meats	663,443	416,721	498,655	589,884
Hides and pelts	84,083	88,035	67,190	63,299

(1) Not reported separately prior to 1957.

Table 8. --End-of-month stocks of frozen fishery products (1)

Species	February 1958	January 1959	February 1959
	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Salt-water:			
Filletts and steaks:			
Blocks and slabs	4,766	11,580	6,102
Cod	3,514	5,408	4,465
Flounder	2,662	4,083	3,223
Haddock	2,748	4,500	4,547
Halibut	2,197	2,401	2,384
Ocean perch	6,218	13,236	9,946
Pollock	594	1,496	1,469
Salmon	437	590	511
Whiting (incl. split "butterfly")	1,934	2,151	1,432
Other filletts and steaks	4,859	7,760	6,513
Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked, all species)	3,606	5,535	4,998
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Halibut	4,249	9,430	6,216
Mackerel (except Spanish)	681	1,198	1,115
Sablefish	3,847	2,072	1,496
Salmon:			
King or chinook	2,234	4,036	3,356
Silver or coho	1,593	4,600	3,481
Chum or keta	613	1,627	927
Unclassified	455	995	1,000
Smelt	846	1,069	869
Swordfish	1,480	2,711	2,502
Tuna	917	1,811	1,525
Whiting, headed and gutted	8,263	12,363	8,792
Other salt-water fish (except bait)	11,019	17,066	11,825
Fresh-water:			
Filletts and steaks	900	2,448	1,629
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Chubs	536	1,568	1,178
Trout	1,386	1,420	1,311
Whitefish	1,954	1,518	1,439
Other fresh-water fish (except bait)	2,662	2,271	1,944
Bait and animal food (salt & fresh-water)	7,654	9,688	13,015
Shellfish:			
Crabs (incl. crab meat)	2,460	2,157	2,078
Lobster tails (spiny)	4,052	3,745	3,714
Oyster meats	1,286	547	642
Scallop meats	2,684	1,562	1,180
Shrimp, raw and headless	16,359	30,858	27,561
All other	5,889	9,347	8,988
Squid	815	812	879
Other shellfish	2,832	2,127	1,829
Total frozen fish and shellfish	121,201	187,786	156,081
Cured fish	10,724	14,940	12,819
Total all fish and shell fish	131,925	202,726	168,900

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.

TABLE 9.

-- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, February 28, 1959

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.
Fruits, frozen:											
Apples	Pound	1,950	18,806	18,093	1,560	9,893	404	458	255	8,145	59,564
Apricots	do.	58	483	188	202	42	15	101	58	4,543	5,690
Blackberries	do.	135	1,437	1,347	1,583	327	958	563	112	7,908	14,370
Blueberries	do.	3,603	5,475	6,422	800	981	103	81	37	1,363	18,865
Boysenberries	do.	13	557	848	424	108	54	286	105	12,107	14,502
Cherries	do.	318	18,764	20,067	2,509	3,087	560	469	1,499	4,665	51,938
Grapes	do.		5,246	3,575	189	97	884	441	18	212	10,662
Peaches	do.	406	4,587	5,091	2,672	5,172	505	821	703	15,584	35,541
Red Raspberries	do.	970	3,244	1,839	2,006	200	47	145	345	8,907	17,703
Black Raspberries	do.	148	1,692	3,460	124	346	61	44	31	4,800	10,706
Strawberries	do.	3,828	15,144	11,791	12,576	5,570	8,196	3,066	1,186	66,900	128,257
Other frozen fruits	do.	1,542	9,229	16,830	2,255	1,203	364	1,144	1,605	9,901	44,073
TOTAL	do.	12,971	84,664	89,551	26,900	27,026	12,151	7,619	5,954	145,035	411,871
Juices, frozen:											
Orange juice	do.	1,818	6,838	4,079	3,111	241,533	1,165	3,602	2,327	20,572	285,045
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	2,471	24,230	11,912	12,795	29,005	1,095	1,941	886	28,613	112,948
Vegetables, frozen:											
Asparagus	do.	384	2,806	1,107	1,115	2,797	237	293	140	3,394	12,273
Beans, lima	do.	708	14,234	4,473	6,795	9,659	2,126	812	3,548	39,448	81,803
Beans, snap	do.	1,113	24,739	4,174	3,506	7,299	2,200	822	371	24,931	69,155
Broccoli	do.	839	10,332	1,806	2,471	3,652	788	834	276	20,935	41,933
Brussels sprouts	do.	210	2,933	970	3,738	751	310	467	439	11,887	21,705
Carrots	do.	19	5,529	2,494	2,656	1,835	82	310	46	10,943	23,914
Cauliflower	do.	328	5,631	901	1,521	1,461	270	401	120	6,424	17,057
Corn	do.	632	11,722	4,553	13,905	4,380	763	1,028	1,671	21,428	60,682
Mixed vegetables	do.	135	4,317	1,711	3,770	1,134	271	444	524	11,622	23,928
Peas, green	do.	9,919	21,269	9,334	20,668	5,435	1,607	1,965	5,056	61,432	136,685
Peas and carrots, mixed	do.	58	2,005	811	1,614	383	211	274	118	9,774	15,248
Potatoes, french fried	do.	8,028	12,135	4,509	22,493	4,890	1,123	1,030	17,178	18,781	90,167
Spinach	do.	426	6,239	1,461	1,209	2,029	741	1,297	243	5,861	19,506
Other frozen vegetables	do.	1,946	12,455	6,677	5,843	18,925	9,330	3,793	1,394	14,117	74,480
TOTAL	do.	24,745	136,346	144,981	91,304	64,630	20,059	13,770	31,124	260,977	687,936
Fruits, vegetables and nuts:											
Fresh grapes	do.		16	84		32		632		6,579	7,343
Other fresh fruits	do.	39	1,022	186	62	20	530	55		474	2,388
Dried and evaporated fruits	do.	1,140	14,272	7,274	911	1,119	126	1,243	9	3,587	29,681
Onions	do.	47	16,687	3,199		10	307	151		18,746	39,147
Celery	do.	19	140	48	54			18			279
Other fresh vegetables	do.	696	14,032	9,361	2,123	126	177	897	1,214	10,787	39,413
Peanut meats	do.	1,081	223	4,531	3,147	111,376	14,809	20,507	58	355	156,087
Other nut meats	do.	987	5,254	4,574	1,302	1,226	333	3,485	194	14,394	31,749
Peanuts, in shell	do.		24	26	10	2,833	7	44		8	2,952
Other nuts, in shell	do.	214	3,274	5,749	7,367	14,611	9	15,100	2,000	14,420	62,744
Fresh apples	Bushel	1,496	4,593	1,831	88	1,692	72	21	14	11,090	20,897
Fresh pears	Boxes	1	7	3				7		930	948

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TABLE 9. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, February 28, 1959 -- Continued

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.
Dairy products and eggs:											
Cream (not including plastic)	Pound	66	3,256	198	180	257	40	66	71	213	4,347
Cream, plastic	do.	45	233		43	165			29	125	640
Butter, creamery	do.	2,310	9,083	23,169	18,875	2,524	1,189	2,570	1,353	2,570	63,643
Cheese, Natural, American	do.	1,790	29,893	137,820	31,189	10,088	3,647	1,626	1,658	9,211	226,922
Cheese, Swiss	do.	86	497	4,976	3,300	8	5	833	291	54	10,050
Cheese, Other natural varieties	do.	89	5,193	14,739	510	338	159	144	768	155	22,095
Eggs, shell	Case	2	11	6	12	5	2	3		12	53
Eggs, frozen	Pound	1,398	6,399	8,405	19,472	2,588	1,079	2,522	330	2,761	44,954
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers or fryers	do.	1,161	4,316	1,705	4,110	5,711	1,360	6,236	504	5,765	30,868
Roasters	do.	2,227	1,860	695	894	1,086	629	450	374	1,339	9,554
Hens, fowls	do.	2,236	22,355	13,209	21,867	4,752	1,085	1,200	152	3,787	70,643
Turkeys	do.	4,033	22,570	23,571	28,752	10,301	2,415	8,951	9,180	31,216	140,989
Ducks	do.	228	844	925	110	270	24	116	92	477	3,096
Unclassified	do.	1,018	6,981	8,292	4,441	7,021	4,989	1,316	933	4,567	39,558
TOTAL	do.	10,903	58,936	48,397	60,174	29,141	10,502	18,269	11,235	47,151	294,708
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen	do.	10,545	26,863	38,649	32,764	5,405	5,608	13,596	4,010	24,292	161,732
Beef, in cure or cured	do.		3,018	2,883	2,407	1,521	408	147	798	1,455	12,637
Pork, frozen:											
Picnics	do.	101	1,045	1,891	3,511	363	287	277	144	164	7,783
Hams	do.	2,625	5,293	18,386	25,544	1,335	1,404	1,992	627	2,981	60,187
Bellies	do.	462	2,623	29,780	44,162	4,188	3,944	1,943	716	2,079	89,897
Other frozen pork cuts	do.	3,067	8,282	32,077	42,495	5,949	1,929	4,220	1,244	5,099	104,362
Pork, in cure or cured:											
Dry salt bellies	do.		110	3,491	7,131	676	258	246	52	153	12,117
Other dry salt pork	do.		271	3,542	3,607	471	176	127	8	4	8,206
Other pork cuts	do.	1	4,141	8,548	16,773	4,705	1,053	1,361	874	2,333	39,789
Veal, frozen	do.	755	3,716	4,511	1,461	454	386	704	106	1,492	13,585
Lamb and mutton, frozen	do.	739	3,136	2,589	1,568	232	91	1,043	217	1,043	10,658
Canned meats in cooler	do.	714	12,685	14,228	34,597	702	317	1,292	1,311	3,085	68,931
TOTAL	do.	19,009	71,183	160,575	216,020	26,001	15,861	26,948	10,107	44,180	589,884
Hides and pelts	do.	3,852	1,051	11,807	36,622	1,498	439	4,210	833	2,987	63,299
Fish, frozen	do.	34,880	34,771	16,962	8,087	10,255	6,891	10,777	2,556	(1)30,902	156,081

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

Table 10. --Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses,
February 28, 1959

Cooler commodities	Net Weight	Freezer commodities	Net Weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples	159,456	Cream	4,353
Pears	8,700	Butter, creamery . . .	56,132
Other fresh fruits . . .	2,562	Eggs	41,723
Fresh vegetables	61,011	Poultry	309,494
Dried & Evap. fruits . .	27,097	Fruits	336,627
Nutmeats	113,508	Juices	128,397
Nuts in shell	38,252	Vegetables	521,729
Other dairy products . .	13,801	Beef	123,213
Cheese	132,462	Pork	104,999
Shell eggs	2,200	Other meats	19,539
Beef	2,875	Fish	157,659
Pork	1,495	Miscellaneous	129,061
Canned meats	25,176		
Fish	12,335		
Miscellaneous	149,278		
Total	750,208	Total	1,932,926

Table 11. --End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the
Government (1)

Commodity	Unit	February 1954-58 av.	February 1958	January 1959	February 1959 (2)
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery	lb.	144,747	61,938	35,835	33,682
American Cheddar cheese . .	do.	229,852	144,135	9,364	8,601
Pork	do.	9,854	6,222	5,423	3,399
Beef	do.	14,457	3,664	2,076	1,403

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

TABLE 12 -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			January 1958		February 1958		January 1959		February 1959	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England:										
Boston	1,813	3,711	74	81	85	68	46	74	52	64
Middle Atlantic:										
New York	5,434	8,293	67	69	64	65	67	67	66	68
Jersey City.	3,433	6,006	47	72	46	61	41	64	37	61
Buffalo.	1,594	1,580	71	75	49	84	73	83	63	80
Rochester.	2,089	1,606	39	68	30	61	55	78	37	73
Philadelphia	1,266	5,243	50	78	49	72	50	71	46	65
Pittsburgh	1,238	2,274	41	69	39	67	53	53	36	51
E. N. Central:										
Cleveland.	1,794	2,586	57	67	52	61	47	63	42	57
Cincinnati	369	1,699	67	65	65	61	56	66	57	67
Chicago.	10,655	12,986	45	73	41	67	41	78	40	75
Detroit.	3,219	3,666	65	72	59	70	73	78	70	75
Milwaukee.	837	1,547	82	85	81	73	46	76	42	74
W. N. Central:										
Minn. -St. Paul.	947	3,704	69	71	66	64	58	79	67	85
St. Louis.	3,548	3,886	53	44	59	43	55	60	57	62
Kansas City	8,817	6,797	59	71	57	70	27	83	27	84
South Atlantic:										
Baltimore & D. C.	920	4,323	47	55	49	47	62	73	61	70
Richmond	874	434	44	57	72	80	58	76	58	76
Norfolk	901	714	79	70	84	63	68	87	77	82
E. S. Central:										
Nashville.	981	1,723	74	61	67	60	42	70	43	70
Memphis.	118	1,715	54	56	50	51	26	52	44	49
W. S. Central:										
New Orleans.	1,053	1,592	60	60	70	70	53	53	46	49
Dallas	3,544	3,752	39	52	39	47	40	48	39	44
Ft. Worth.	906	1,177	41	50	41	39	47	43	59	47
Pacific:										
Seattle.	195	1,590	58	71	64	60	48	54	50	46
Portland	251	4,176	38	66	39	59	29	51	32	45
Los Angeles.	3,118	7,269	77	87	75	71	84	81	85	75
San Francisco.	1,133	2,643	43	64	39	59	36	77	40	76
San Jose	2,358	3,776	32	61	30	57	23	49	21	41
Modesto	296	4,027	40	50	40	50	7	81	6	69

(1) Space shown includes public warehouses located in the Metropolitan area.

(2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held February 28, 1959.

TABLE 13--- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1) February 1959		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			February 1954-58 av.		February 1958		January 1959		February 1959 (2)	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.	396	1,615	42	60	61	57	54	64	46	61
Massachusetts	2,849	5,619	57	77	73	65	49	73	53	65
R. I. and Connecticut . . .	565	809	53	60	59	61	49	65	42	57
New England	3,810	8,043	54	72	70	63	50	70	50	63
New York	20,825	19,520	51	66	42	62	55	69	49	66
New Jersey	3,831	7,699	52	66	46	62	45	66	40	61
Pennsylvania	3,772	7,568	57	78	45	71	52	68	44	64
Middle Atlantic	28,428	34,787	52	69	43	64	53	68	47	65
Ohio	3,144	6,496	57	77	51	60	48	66	41	64
Indiana	835	1,599	69	69	70	53	47	52	40	64
Illinois	13,432	13,849	56	78	41	66	42	77	41	74
Michigan	4,638	5,389	56	72	47	60	62	68	57	64
Wisconsin	6,725	2,697	67	71	65	68	35	64	34	61
East North Central	28,774	30,030	59	76	49	63	44	71	42	68
Minnesota	1,257	4,901	69	77	57	62	51	74	56	78
Iowa	473	3,245	64	67	62	44	37	55	51	60
Missouri	3,769	7,483	64	66	52	48	53	68	49	71
Dakotas and Nebraska . . .	777	4,160	62	80	48	70	46	83	46	83
Kansas	9,030	7,140	63	69	56	72	30	72	30	81
West North Central	15,306	26,929	64	71	55	60	39	71	38	76
Delaware, Maryland & D.C.	970	4,628	50	60	49	47	63	73	61	70
Virginia and West Va. . . .	7,674	1,685	47	69	42	57	44	77	36	74
North and South Carolina . .	387	962	48	73	70	69	65	80	63	72
Georgia	4,477	3,306	81	84	73	85	82	77	81	79
Florida	1,260	11,863	60	59	49	55	42	35	42	46
South Atlantic	14,768	22,444	58	64	55	57	57	54	53	59
Kentucky	1,076	1,499	65	68	63	44	36	62	42	58
Tennessee	1,859	5,577	73	75	65	55	50	58	56	57
Alabama and Mississippi . . .	1,834	2,427	63	74	61	59	63	68	67	66
East South Central	4,769	9,503	69	74	63	54	52	61	57	60
Arkansas	210	1,040	47	50	54	51	11	84	9	80
Louisiana	1,198	2,014	66	78	73	74	56	59	50	57
Oklahoma	638	1,083	50	70	46	61	40	66	48	62
Texas	6,522	7,131	55	53	42	45	47	51	50	49
West South Central	8,568	11,268	56	58	46	50	46	58	49	55
Mountain	1,863	6,087	68	74	73	69	55	63	41	62
Washington	760	10,229	33	50	31	61	51	58	53	52
Oregon	1,044	8,039	42	50	63	52	76	51	75	45
California	11,722	25,860	48	67	47	64	48	73	47	65
Pacific	13,526	44,128	46	60	46	61	50	66	50	58
United States (3)	119,812	193,219	56	68	50	61	49	66	46	64

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held February 28, 1959.

(2) Preliminary.

(3) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 14. --United States refrigerated usable piling space, October 1, 1957 1/

State or geographic region	Type of Warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.
Maine.....	1,656	357	654	-	-	-	-	918
New Hampshire.....	(253	(22	(62	(69	-	-	(5	(1,940
Vermont.....	((((-	-	((
Massachusetts.....	(10,320	(4,109	(843	(285	-	-	(14	(4,367
Rhode Island.....	((((-	-	((
Connecticut.....	1,065	140	-	-	-	-	2	2,701
New England.....	13,294	4,628	1,559	354	-	-	21	9,926
New York.....	22,455	21,325	2,458	6,256	722	2,191	458	16,904
New Jersey.....	11,078	4,577	2,296	569	-	-	28	2,821
Pennsylvania.....	10,062	4,954	2,859	1,401	259	850	599	6,371
Middle Atlantic...	43,595	30,856	7,613	8,226	981	3,041	1,085	26,096
Ohio.....	7,967	4,220	217	197	95	1,572	14	923
Indiana.....	2,495	628	(3,254	(3,172	400	295	(31	(1,830
Illinois.....	14,406	14,768	(	(	784	2,564	((
Michigan.....	8,126	5,439	3,106	3,389	(1,173	(1,204	(64	(9,227
Wisconsin.....	5,680	5,026	383	6,648	((((
East North Central	38,674	30,081	6,960	13,406	2,452	5,635	109	11,980
Minnesota.....	5,479	1,317	2,575	68	1,462	1,076	((
Iowa.....	4,197	692	734	395	1,797	2,292	((
Missouri.....	(9,695	(5,105	123	1,278	(778	(2,199	((
North Dakota.....	(	(	-	-	(	(	(1/	(1/
South Dakota.....	(4,000	(769	-	-	(1,277	(4,524	((
Nebraska.....	(	(	(310	(203	((((
Kansas.....	7,761	9,597	(	(	665	1,853	((
West North Central	31,132	17,480	3,742	1,944	5,979	11,944	1/	1/
Delaware.....	405	244	(1,449	(6	1/	1/	((
Maryland & D. C.....	5,012	821	(	(	1/	1/	((
Virginia.....	2,549	5,468	816	4,662	(43	(184	(1/	(1/
West Virginia.....	552	805	578	338	(	(	(1/	(1/
North Carolina.....	(1,591	(711	(133	(194	-	-	((
South Carolina.....	(	(	(	(	(439	(623	((
Georgia.....	3,236	3,988	192	245	((((
Florida.....	14,366	1,342	13,701	281	-	-	((
South Atlantic....	27,711	13,379	16,869	5,726	526	1,040	891	16,209
Kentucky.....	1,499	1,056	115	169	(253	(467	((
Tennessee.....	5,088	2,109	715	43	(	(	(1/	(1/
Alabama.....	(2,524	(1,989	(24	(429	1/	1/	(1/	(1/
Mississippi.....	((((-	-	((
East South Central	9,111	5,154	854	641	1/	1/	1/	1/
Arkansas.....	2,045	315	1/	1/	-	-	((
Louisiana.....	3,299	1,096	149	52	-	-	(1/	(1/
Oklahoma.....	1,210	689	63	118	449	2,121	(1/	(1/
Texas.....	10,777	5,004	388	1,277	997	1,084	((
West South Central	17,331	7,104	1/	1/	1,446	3,205	1/	1/
Montana.....	147	134	1/	1/	1/	1/	((
Idaho & Wyoming.....	1,282	253	765	126	(208	(380	((
Colorado.....	2,094	1,722	1/	1/	(	(	(1/	(1/
New Mexico.....	(538	(135	1/	1/	-	-	(1/	(1/
Arizona.....	(	(	-	-	1/	1/	((
Utah & Nevada.....	1,764	347	1/	1/	1/	1/	((
Mountain.....	5,825	2,591	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/
Washington.....	11,224	2,418	5,058	1,722	484	527	1,698	70,849
Oregon.....	7,639	1,738	5,159	881	(260	(1,374	(108	(14,989
California.....	32,306	11,761	7,025	15,267	((((
Pacific.....	51,169	15,917	17,242	17,870	744	1,901	1,806	85,838
United States.....	237,842	127,190	56,478	50,108	12,716	27,961	3,915	153,527

1/ Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

NET WEIGHT OF REFRIGERATED COMMODITIES

